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Hi BME grad students and faculty,

Please see the attached Provost's memorandum on **grading policies for graduate students** this semester. The key bullets for BME (SEAS) graduate students are below:

- Credit/no-credit (CR/NC) will be the default grading system for graduate and professional students in all courses where the work is not yet completed.
- Graduate students, including masters and PhD students, will have the option to choose letter grades on a course by course basis up to the last day of classes for the spring semester or the final day of the spring or summer modules.
- Each school will inform their students of the process for selecting letter grades instead of credit/no-credit and the specific school requirements for credit. (*→ I find this wording to be ambiguous, so let's expect more to come from Amy Clobes on this*)
- UVA will include a designation on students' transcripts to indicate that the CR/NC option was created in the midst of an extraordinary crisis and as part of the University's effort to manage the transition to online instruction.

(This is the same as what we're doing for our undergrads, basically.) Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Have a safe and healthful weekend!

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